

WEATHER REPORT...
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Northern California: Fair this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight with light frosts Tuesday morning; light N. wind.
San Francisco and vicinity: Fair this afternoon, tonight and Tuesday; colder tonight; light northerly wind.

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GEN. WHITE VICTORIOUS.



IN THE ARMORED TRAIN NEAR FRERE.

Boers Attack Ladysmith With Great Fury But Are Repulsed With Heavy Losses.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—3:45 p. m.—The War Office has just published the following bulletin from General Buller:

"FRED CAMP, Jan. 8.—The following is from White, dated 2 p. m. yesterday: 'An attack was commenced on my position, but was ch. y. against Caesar's Camp and Wagon Hill. The enemy was in great strength, and has pushed the attack with the greatest courage and energy. Some of the intrenchments on Wagon Hill were three times taken by the enemy and retaken by us.'

FOUGHT ALL DAY.

"The attack continued until 7:30 p. m. One point in our position was occupied by the enemy the whole day. But at dusk, in a very heavy rainstorm, they were turned out of this position at the point of the bayonet in a most gallant manner by the Devons, led by Colonel Park. Colonel Ian Hamilton commanded on Wagon Hill and rendered valuable service.

BOERS LOSE HEAVILY.

"The troops have had a very trying time and have behaved excellently. They are elated at the service they have rendered the Queen.

BOERS LOSE HEAVILY.

"The enemy were repulsed everywhere with heavy loss, greatly exceeding that on my side, which will be reported as soon as the lists are completed."

This official confirmation of "Frederic" General Buller's victory at Ladysmith relieved the extreme tension of the waiting crowd.

SUFFOLKS DISGRACED.

Telegrams from Rensberg say seven officers and thirty men of the Suffolks were killed and that about fifty were captured. General Buller's announcement that the Boers were more bitter to the latter's friends than the list of casualties, as the only inference deducible from this fact is that the Suffolks disgraced themselves and their flag by bolting and leaving a few more of their staunch comrades to fill the Pretoria jail.

Lord Dalhousie, in a graphic description of the battle of Agincourt, says:

"It is useless to disguise that a large percentage of the troops are losing heart, for a campaign comprised of a suc-

POLYGAMOUS POSTMASTERS UNDER FIRE.

Utah Office Holders Must Undergo an Investigation.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Immediately after the reading of the Journal in the House today Mr. Dabzell from the Committee on Rules reported back the resolution introduced last week by Mr. Lantz of Ohio for the investigation by the committee appointed to investigate the case of Representative-elect Roberts of the charges that John C. Graham, postmaster

tion of frontal attacks on an inviolable position, which was taken and held. Our men fought admirably, but they were asked to perform miracles. Don't blame them, and don't blame the gallant general, who was the first victim of the terrible disaster which overcame the chief Highland brigade. They marched in a quarter column to the door, General Vauchope's last words, 'For God's sake, men, do not blame me for this, will gladden the hearts of his numerous friends. METTLEOUS COURAGE BLUNDER.

"There was no accord between General Methuen and General Vauchope in regard to the best method of attack. General Methuen's plan prevailed, and this mistake cost seven hundred men."

A private of the Irish Rifles who fought at Stormberg, in a letter to his home, says that when General Buller saw the position the guide had led the troops into, he shot the guide dead with his own revolver.

STOCK EXCHANGE CHIEFS UP.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—The Stock Exchange was greatly depressed today, owing to the situation at Ladysmith.

The Stock Exchange received the news of the Boer defeat at Ladysmith with surprise and alarm. Prices immediately ascended in all departments.

DAVITT'S SUCCESSOR.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—A Dublin correspondent says Major John Davitt, the orator, is a candidate for the seat in the House of Commons from South Mayo, vacated by Mr. Davitt, and probably will not be opposed.

GERMAN SHIP OWNER SCORES THE SEIZURES.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LEAMING, Jan. 8.—Hon. Adolph Woermann, one of the owners of the German vessels seized by the British, was interviewed today by a representative of the Associated Press. He said:

"The last one was the Hersey. She has an engine of 1,000 horse power, and has been detained by a hostile government. Their services were offered to the British, but were refused. We cannot interpret the action of the British as clearly intended to prevent the German East Africa line from continuing its service on account of the competition by

of Provo, Utah, and Orson Smith, postmaster at Logan, were guilty of polygamous practices, with the recommendation that it be amended so as to provide that the investigation shall be made by the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads instead of by the special committee.

Mr. Wheeler of Kentucky remarked that in his opinion the resolution for the investigation was a pure piece of political buncombe. The President has full power in the premises, said Mr. Wheeler, and there is no necessity for a Congressional investigation.

The resolution was passed without division.

THURSDAY NEXT, after 11 o'clock, was set apart for eulogies upon the late Representative Danforth of Ohio. Wednesday for eulogies upon the late Representative Green of Nebraska, and Friday, after 2 p. m., on the life and public service of the late Vice-President Hobart. Then, at 12:30 p. m., the House adjourned until Wednesday.

Small Fire.

There was a still fire alarm last night about 9 o'clock, which was received from the Avenue House at the southwestern corner of Seventeenth street and San Pablo avenue. The damage was only nominal.

WHITE'S VICTORY GLADDENS THE BRITISH HEART.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Not since the day of General Buller's reverse has such a crowd of inquirers visited the War Office. As the afternoon progressed a rumor abounded currency that Ladysmith had surrendered, and that the depression in the stock market had become extreme, when an official appeared and in a loud voice shouted "Good news!" at the posted dispatch chronicling a brilliant victory for the British troops.

Even the brief official announcement sent by General Buller seems to excite his success to the adjective "brilliant," so often misused during the present war, and at dusk the Devonshire regiment at the point of the bayonet drove out the Boers from another position which they had occupied all day long. The news spread with astonishing rapidity all over London and caused an instantaneous change in the aspect of the metropolis.

Smiling faces were seen everywhere, and even at the senate Foreign Office and other departments of the government a "glorious victory at Ladysmith."

BULLER TAKES TWELVE GUNS.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

LONDON, Jan. 8, 6:25 P. M.—A rumor is current in the city that General Buller has crossed the Tugela river, captured twelve guns, and is now marching on Ladysmith.

QUEER TANGLE IN SACRAMENTO.

Two Mayors Claim the Office and Issue Orders.

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—Both Mayor William Land and Mayor George E. Clark are today exercising the powers of the Mayor's office of this city. Mayor Clark this morning notified Chief of Police Ash to receive orders from nobody except himself. Later Mayor Land requested Chief Ash to suspend officers George Nagel and Michael Fisher for their conduct last night in aiding in his election from the office of Mayor to make way for Clark.

Mayor Land has notified all the city departments that he is still Mayor, and he claims that he will exercise the prerogatives of the office until the suit brought against Clark by a citizen named Bradley to prevent his taking office be-

CLOSE HOME

Chief Hodgkins Does Not Want Any Ex-Convicts Here.

An announcement has been made that a "home" intended for the reformation and shelter of discharged Penitentiary convicts has been opened at 125 Union street by Chaplain and Mrs. Moore, late of Tacoma. The place, it is alleged, has been given the name of "Liberty Hall," in honor of the fact that the door will be open to all ex-convicts and that a farm will be purchased in which the men may work until other employment may be found for them.

This is not the first time that such a deterring has been started in this city. Some years ago a wealthy widow opened such a refuge and gave shelter to some ex-convicts, and finally married one of them, only to be deserted by her spouse after the lady had gotten possession of a goodly share of her money. The home, then, speedily became a thing of the past. While it existed, it was a resort of forbidden characters who caused anything but a feeling of peace of mind to the neighbors. All the inmates professed repentance and were willing to die rather than again do wrong. To have professed the contrary of course would have deprived them of three meals a day and a place at night wherein to rest in peace.

There, however, was but a hollow protest, and when some had been abandoned, after the marriage and robbery of its protectors, by one of the beneficiaries, their relatives, and their career of lawlessness and crime.

Chief Hodgkins was asked his opinion as regards the advisability of such homes here, and said:

"I am not in favor of expressing ex-convicts. I would do anything reasonable to enable them to reform and abandon crime. If they suffer after they get out of prison, it is their own fault. They have no business to make it known to everybody that they have been in jail. They can go to places where that fact is not known, and they will not then be annoyed by their past life if they intend to reform. That is all they can do after they come out of a home of this kind."

"Bringing ex-convicts together advances the past deeds of all of them and makes so many more people know them by sight and point them out as transgressors of the law than they cannot be converted to herd together under the name of reformed criminals, and there is no telling what crime may be hatched under such a cover. From my experience in the criminal business, I must say that I am opposed to such an institution."

TAYLOR'S PLANS.

Want the Library Trustees to Erect New Building.

Councilman Taylor at the next regular meeting of the Council on Monday next will introduce an ordinance authorizing the Board of Library Trustees to erect the new Free Public Library building in place of the Board of Public Works. The measure is as follows:

"Section 1. The use of the whole of that certain land belonging to the city, situated at the southwest corner of Grove and Fourteenth streets, is hereby authorized for the purpose of erecting and maintaining thereon a building or buildings for a Free Public Library, and for reading rooms, and the consent and approval made necessary by law in that connection is hereby given."

"Section 2. The Board of Library Trustees of the Oakland Free Public Library is hereby authorized and directed to erect, equip and maintain upon said land such building or buildings as may be necessary for said library and reading rooms, and the consent and approval made necessary by law in that connection is hereby given."

"Section 3. All money expended by virtue of the authority granted by this ordinance shall be payable from the 'Library fund' of the proper fiscal year."

"Section 4. This ordinance shall take immediate effect."

pause of the alleged violation of the purity of election law is determined. Clark declines to agree to Land's proposals for a suit against Clark taking his seat comes up in the Superior Court tomorrow and so much feeling has been aroused among officers and politicians on the subject that some judges from out of county will doubtless be called.

PRESIDENT'S NOMINATIONS

Associated Press Dispatches by The Tribune's Special Leased Wire.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The President today sort the following nominations to the Senate:

Navy-Acting Assistant Surgeon Frank H. Titus of California to be Surgeon of Volunteers with rank of Major.

Navy-Inspector H. T. Wright to be a pay director. Paymaster S. C. Calhoun to be a pay inspector.

Assistant Paymasters J. J. Cheatham and M. M. Ramsey to be paymasters.

HAYWARDS WOMAN IS DISCHARGED.

The Lunacy Commissioners this afternoon discharged Mrs. Lucia C. Sequera. The woman was found starving to death on a farm near Haywards.

BLOODY RIOT IN CITY HALL

Tax Collector Sheehan of San Francisco Refuses to Yield Office and a Fierce Fight Follows.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Murder came very near being done at noon in the City Hall as the result of Tax Collector Sheehan's refusal to turn over the office, and an attempt on the part of J. Harry Scott, who claims that he is the duly elected successor, to take forcible possession. John O'Brien, a clerk, who has been employed in the office for five months past, was shot, but will recover.

The identity of his would-be slayer is unknown.

Ben I. Solomon, clerk in Judge Dunne's department of the Superior Court, is accused by Sheehan's men of doing the deed, while the Scott side is quite positive that it was some one behind the counter who tried to repel the invasion. Solomon is under arrest.

On the stroke of 12 o'clock Scott presented himself at the door leading to the tax office, accompanied by Abraham Ruef, his attorney, and a force of fifteen. Among the number were Solomon and Alex Greggains, the prize-fighter.

Scott and Ruef forced their way to where Sheehan was standing, and the attorney presented to him Scott's certificate of election. Sheehan refused to recognize Scott and the battle started.

With a leap Scott vaulted over the counter and made a lunge at Sheehan. Instantly the men followed in his wake, and the air screamed with the bending and smashing of furniture and the crashing of glass.

Armed with chairs and ink-wells and ledgers, both factions closed in combat. Alex Greggains was in the van with Scott, attempting to fight his way to the rear of the office, where the vault is located. Two or three had gone down under his blows, when a shot rang out.

Pandemonium broke loose. Spectators and participants ran for cover.

John O'Brien, who had been standing near the counter, staggered back with a bullet through his neck. Hostilities ceased for about a minute, and were then taken up with renewed vigor by both factions.

The wildest excitement prevailed, and men on the same side grappled and choked one another. When they could find no one to fight they gave themselves up to the work of vandals, tearing down gas fixtures, breaking railings and tearing ledgers from the walls. Many pages of valuable records were destroyed.

Up to the time O'Brien was shot the police remained neutral, but now they took a hand. Ben Salmons was pointed out as the man who used the revolver.

AIMED THE PISTOL.

John Doyle, one of Sheehan's clerks, says that Salmons aimed the weapon at him, but he dropped behind the desk just as the trigger was pulled. O'Brien was fighting directly behind him.

Sheehan and his force had retreated to the rear of the office and were lined up in battle array, when Captain of Police Wittman appeared, and through him a truce was brought about for the time being.

As a precaution a search for weapons was made but few were found.

Scott and Sheehan both claimed to be in possession of the office, and Wittman said he did not care, so long as the peace was kept. Such is the condition of the things for the time being. Sheehan says he will not give up until the courts decide that he is not entitled to remain.

O'Brien came within a hair's breadth of death. The bullet entered the right side of the neck in front and passed out in the back, grazing the spinal cord. He will recover. He knows him, but refuses to tell.

THE DETAILS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—There was a riot at the City Hall at noon today, when Tax Collector-elect Scott attempted to take possession of his office.

One man has been shot and others bruised in the fight that ensued.

ELECTION CONTESTED.

Scott's election is being contested in the courts by Collector Sheehan, whose term expired today, on the ground that Scott has not resided here for five years, as required by the new charter.

SHEEHAN AT BAY.

Last night Sheehan barricaded his office in the City Hall and prepared to defend his alleged rights.

SCOTT STORMS THE WORK.

Today at noon Scott, with a force of deputies, appeared and demanded that the office be turned over to them.

Sheehan and his men refused, and when Scott attempted to force an entrance a shot was fired.

FIRST BLOOD FOR SCOTT.

One of Sheehan's deputies was wounded in the neck and has been taken to the Receiving Hospital.

A man named Solomons has been arrested for the shooting.

Scott was lifted over the counter of the office by his deputies, and this was resisted by Sheehan's men, who were armed with clubs.

Finally the police were summoned and the riot has been quelled.

SCOTT HOLDS THE FORT.

Scott is now in possession of the office. The police are searching every person who attempts to approach the Tax Collector's office, and are seizing all weapons found.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

A throng of Scott's followers swooped down on the Tax Collector's office, armed with clubs. It was known that Sheehan's men were on guard, and trouble was expected. The guard at the door was brushed aside and Scott's men entered the room.

FREE FIGHT RAGES.

Sheehan's cohorts on the inside resisted strenuously, and there was a free fight on an instant. Clubs were used, and deadly weapons drawn, but only one shot was fired.

THE WOUNDED MAN.

J. O'Brien, one of Sheehan's men, was wounded in the neck, and received what may be a fatal wound.

SOLOMON ARRESTED.

Benjamin Solomon is accused of firing the shot, and is under arrest. He is a son of ex-Governor Solomon of Utah.

PRIZE FIGHTER IN THE ROW.

At noon, Scott, accompanied by fifteen deputies, headed by Alex Greggains, the prize-fighter, approached the Tax Collector's office.

Scott approached Tax Collector Sheehan, and after reading his certificate of election demanded that the office be turned over to him. Sheehan refused, and it is alleged that Scott struck him.

WRECKED THE OFFICE.

This started the fight, in which sections of gas-pipes, clubs, chairs and pistols were used. The office was soon wrecked, and a merry fight was on when a squad of police interfered. The officers made liberal use of their clubs before a semblance of order was restored.

SOLOMON RELEASED.

It is claimed that Solomon did not fire the shot that wounded O'Brien, and he has been released. Charles E. Broad, one of Sheehan's deputies, is under arrest for assaulting a man with an ink-stand.

NO TROUBLE ELSEWHERE.

There was no trouble during the changes in the other municipal offices, the officers elected under the new charter, taking possession of their respective offices at noon, the retiring officials lending every facility for the carrying on of municipal affairs without interruption.

WILL RECOVER.

O'Brien, the man who was shot, will recover.

USED CLARK'S MONEY TO TRAP THE SENATOR.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Former State Senator Whiteside of Montana continued his testimony in the Clark Senatorial case before the Committee on Privileges and Elections today. He was cross-examined by ex-Senator Faulkner. The examination brought out the fact that Mr. Whiteside, as a member of the committee to investigate the State Capitol Commission, had made a monetary report charging corruption. He was asked if this was the case in which he had suggested to J. P. McCabe that his monetary report could be suppressed for \$2,000, but denied that such was the case, saying he paid over the money so as to enable him to turn it in with his report. He said that his sole purpose in undertaking the exposure of bribery in the Legislature that elected Mr. Clark was to protect the good name of the State.

"I desired," he said, "to have some one accept the money so as to expose the methods of Mr. Clark."

"Did you become a friend of Mr. Clark's friends for the purpose of outwitting them?"

"I can't say exactly, but I suppose I did."

"In doing this, did not you know you were assuming an attitude of misrepresentation?"

"I did."

"Was this not a position of falsehood?"

"Or was it as I said, that I had to make a number of misrepresentations?"

"What do you consider a lie?"

"I consider it a misstatement to one who has a right to know the truth, to tell one who has no right to know it."

Mr. Whiteside said he did not see how any honest man could do that, though he admitted that he had done so for the exposure of the Committee on Investigation, and said, under pressure, that the remark applied to the fifty-four members who cast their votes for the gentleman. He said, in reply to a question, that Marcus Daly was an acquaintance of his, but that he did not know he should be paid to have him for a friend.

"Have you received \$5,000 for this present exposure?" asked Mr. Faulkner.

"I have not received \$5,000 or any sum for that service," the witness replied.

Referring to his conversation with Senator Clark prior to the latter's election, he said he was positive that Mr. Clark himself had said among other things that State Senator Anderson could not be influenced with money like some of the other members, and that this statement was not made by Mr. Whiteside, as he was in the prime of his life, and that he was a member of the Grand Jury of Lewis and Clark county. The witness said the money to pay for the present exposure has been raised by subscription, and he understood that Mr. Daly was one of the subscribers to the fund. The cross-examination further brought out that the witness had no personal knowledge of bribery in the case of three members of the Assembly who had been referred to.

At noon the committee took a recess until 2:30 p. m.

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CAPT. WENK HOLDS FORT.

Trouble in Company F. Will Soon Be Settled.

Tonight, the regular drill of Company F, N. C. G., will be held in the Armory. It is looked forward to with a great deal of interest because it is thought some announcement will be made at it regarding an adjustment of the difficulty which has originated between Captain Wenk and a large number of the members. The matter at issue has been referred to Colonel Whitton, commander of the regiment. Surprised has been expressed that that official has not been heard from before this.

WOULD NOT STAND THE SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Edward Lester was discharged from the City Prison yesterday after he had repeatedly refused medical attendance. He said he would rather die than take any medicine.

Lester is suffering from dropsy. His hands and feet are swollen badly. A few days ago he ran away from the City and County Hospital of San Francisco because the surgeons there insisted on performing an operation.

GIVEN A LARGE FAMILY ALLOWANCE.

Mrs. Ella C. Hamilton has been granted a family allowance of \$200 a month from the estate of her late husband, Fred R. Hamilton, who died on December 24. The estate is valued at \$25,000.

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GRAND WORK FOR YOUNG MEN

Secretary Jacks Completes His Annual Report For the Y. M. C. A.

Secretary Jacks of the Young Men's Christian Association today completed his annual report. It is as follows:

"I know of no more responsible position in all this world than that of watchman. From the humble vantage of his little post at the entrance of a city, he is in a position to see the city and its people. It is his duty to see that the city is safe and that the people are happy. It is his duty to see that the city is clean and that the people are healthy. It is his duty to see that the city is peaceful and that the people are content. It is his duty to see that the city is prosperous and that the people are happy."

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THE CLOSING YEAR.

"Thus we close another twelve months' work, and who can measure its results? Hundreds of young men have come in contact with the association, the history of whose lives will never be known, and the encouragement given and hope inspired by the Christian influence exerted here must be left for eternal ages to record."

"Thankful to God for being permitted to bear some part in a work that means much to our city and to Him we ascribe all the praise, we respectfully submit the foregoing."

—NOEL H. JACKS, "General Secretary."

REV. SMITH IS SEEKING A DIVORCE

Discovered That His Wife Was a Cousin and Separated.

Strange Case of the Pastor of the Unitarian Church.

Some weeks ago a petition for divorce was filed in the Superior Court in the name of G. W. Smith. The ground on which the divorce was sought was that the wife was his cousin. The case is now before the court for decision.

MRS. DAILEY WILL NOT APPEAL CASE.

Mrs. Edward C. Dailey, who was denied a divorce from her husband by Judge Ogden, will not take further steps at present to secure a legal separation. Her attorney, R. B. Gayford, says she is satisfied with the decision of the court.

COUNCIL WILL HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING.

There will be a meeting of the City Council this evening, at which there will be a discussion of the bond issue, the resolution bringing suit against Mayor Brown, and the resolution of Mr. Glard providing for the investigation into the matter of the dredging of Lake Merritt.

THE BOERS SPEAKS IN FAVOR OF THE BOERS.

The Rev. J. C. Doward, a missionary from Cape Colony, delivered a sermon at the Pilgrim Congregational Church last evening. His subject was "Great Britain and the Boers." He spoke in favor of the Boers and against the British.

EX-MPT FIREMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

The exempt firemen's association of Oakland has elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Fred J. Tyrrell; vice-president, Fred J. Tyrrell; secretary, E. L. Barr; treasurer, J. Tyrrell; board of directors, Fred J. Tyrrell, Martin Ryan, A. Wilson, Fred J. Tyrrell, M. J. Hallahan.

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FUNERAL OF THE LATE MRS. TOUCHARD.

The funeral of Mrs. Marlan Agnes Touchard will be held at 3 o'clock from the Church of the Immaculate Conception, on Jefferson street, between Seventh and Eighth streets. Rev. Father McGovern will officiate.

DEWEY CAMP ELECTS NEW OFFICERS.

The regular annual meeting of Admiral Dewey Camp No. 18 Army and Navy Republican League was held at Fraternal Hall, January 6, 1900. There was a full attendance and all were enthusiastic.

MADE GIFT OF A HOME TO HIS WIFE.

A. S. Macdonald has deeded to his wife, Mrs. Mary Tucker Macdonald, a residence on Woodward avenue, near Bay Vista avenue. The property is transferred as a gift.

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— Police Recorder Quinn of San Leandro and Editor Dan McCarthy of the San Leandro reporter are unable to fight a duel shortly.

"The Reporter is always discovering something new and strange," wrote Prof. Keeton in experimenting with the "new" word. "I have been told that Haywards are being entertained with the charming warblings of the Philibew." The Editor's note was that he had taken light of buy the wonderful differentiations of the legal doctobug. The Reporter is not wont to buy the services of a reporter who would not be fairly paid; he has no objection to his work being accorded due credit for having discovered Recorder Quinn's supposed error.

The Editor said that the predictions of Jeremiah and the uncanny words of Jonah were as nothing to the Reporter's prediction of a "fourth in last week's Standard because of the Reporter's neglect to recognize his legal motto: 'God help the rich, the poor will suffer.'"

Recorder Quinn's last effusion is almost as interesting and equally as comical as the one which preceded it.

merent as John Burke's sidewalk orations on finance. Reading it was like standing in the vortex of chaos and trying to size up the phenomena. When Recorder Quinn is serious the reader is convulsed, and when he uncorks his wit the

Wool's head on the Plaza factory wipers. He does not know how to handle the machine, so he pays a patient Indian who helps other people, but takes it: by absorption as the sponge does stale beer in a malbeco. He is not a patient Indian, but a patient who is steering himself down the Jurisd railway, twisting the rails into cork-balls, and the cork-balls into the rails. Whenever he hits the solid earth he leaves a hole as big as a Brooklyn Tenthredinid. He is not a patient Indian, but a collector; terre as Salvation Army with banners.

After the Quin has been burning the twilight oil and last week no again tried to explain his rag-time decision and incidentally roast the modest editor of this paper. He has been burning the twilight oil, but it is impossible to reproduce the flavor of his intellectual legal emulsions. He is not a patient Indian, but a patient who is surrounded with caricatures while he is surrounded with jars of Coke, crocks of Chitty and barrels of legal aleopathic purgatives, and

"Recorder Quinn was too modest. I met him at the people's San Leandro when in the hands of some of his friends he had been removed from the legal team; we can only contemplate with horror."

The man who dealt with the divine afflatus? Every time his afflatus begins to afflict he rushes into the gilded cage of his own sanctity and glorifies himself. He has to or bust. An over-ventilating barrel of sauce krat is nothing to the explosive power of his genius.

I am glad to see that Recorder Quinn and our political guru, legal philosopher and the people of San Leandro manage to gaze daily by day upon his radiant glory without being consumed gases must have rid man a mystery.

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Reporter was the guilty man who ploughed up Santa Rosa street, and that he did it with a can opener. This may be pleasing to the nonchalant understanding of Recorder Quinn, but it will hardly satisfy the people of this city who believe in open-handed justice. He might have "pieces" led the cows home, but he would still fail to explain just why a loquacity was so conveniently whereby a rich man escaped justice.

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
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Trianon Park, S. F.—Races today and tomorrow.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1900.

Alameda's anonymous letter writer is at least having the satisfaction of getting his communications printed. There is about only one way in which that feat could have been accomplished—through the desire of reporters to get a good story—and he is receiving the benefit of it.

These pro-Ber meetings are popular because they give opportunities for those who hate England to declare themselves. After reading the reports of the speeches at the various gatherings throughout the country it is very evident that Anglo-American alliance is a long, long way off yet.

It won't be any too healthy for awhile where the San Francisco Board of Health is located, judging by the reports that the members of the old body intend to resist their removal by force. Instead of political mud slinging the implements are likely to be of the sterner stuff of ball and powder.

A Kansas town named Beattie has a municipal government composed entirely of women. Including a female Mayor. That must be the Adams Eden we hear of occasionally, for otherwise at least one man would have been selected, so us to have somebody to attend to the hard work and do the municipal chores.

Even if the State courts should decide, in the precedent being advanced here in the Byrd case, that Congress had no power to forbid the placing in evidence of unstamped instruments, the contention that in the future no attention will be paid to that phase of the stamp act, and that thousands of dollars will therefore be lost annually by Uncle Sam, is extremely ill-advised. Apart from the question at issue as regards evidence, it should be remembered that heavy penalties are provided for infractions of the revenue law, and the Federal officials will be invulnerable on that end of the proposition.

OAKLAND'S SEWER SYSTEM.

The completion by City Engineer Clement of the general plans of the proposed sewer system for Oakland attracts the attention directly to that all-important and necessary step in our progress. Over ten years have passed since the city decided to establish a system of sewers that would not only meet all the existing demands but would provide for the future possibilities for a good term of years, and if it was deemed then that the work was necessary, ten times more reason therefore exists now.

The fact that two annexation sections have, during the past decade, added to Oakland a large stretch of territory and many thousands of population, is in itself proof enough that the present accommodations must be woefully inadequate, and in addition to these extra demands, it is patent that the natural growth of the city, as originally defined, calls for an increased service. The general outlines of Engineer Clement's plans show that he has grappled with the work in a proper spirit, for he has defined a system that should make Oakland one of the best-served cities on the continent. The natural opportunities for thorough drainage are fortunately all in our favor, for the city slopes gently to the water's edge, and by means of one general outlet, with which will be connected mains reaching to all parts of town, every foot of surface area will be thoroughly provided for.

The cost of this mammoth improvement is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars, but no one should demur at the expenditure, in view of what it means. The public health is the first and most important matter to be considered, and it is a long-established principle that it is a hundred per cent cheaper to buy sewers than to pay doctors' bills. Furthermore, the improvement will be the greatest possible factor in building up the city, for the first question a prospective resident asks, if he be a man of family, is: "How are the sewers?" With a complete system, such as is planned, in operation here, the reputation Oakland already possesses of being one of the healthiest cities in the world will be greatly enhanced, so from the standpoint of an investment as well as a matter of convenience to ourselves, there should not be the slightest hesitation on the part of the community to declare itself a unit in favor of the work proposed.

OUR POLITICAL EVOLUTION.

President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California struck the keynote of American political conditions when he said in his lecture on "The Summons to the Public Service" that, given really serious work to be done, able men will be found to do it. The optimistic view of the future is that which is demanded of Americans in facing the new century, and the "deep pessimism" that has been characteristic of the last decade must be laid aside in discussing public measures. Practical men have known for years that the bad reputa attached by the great unthinking and unreasoning mass of Americans to those who engage in politics was undeserved, but a continuous course of muddling has unquestionably succeeded in preventing many reputable and educated men from entering political parties or accepting leadership, thus entailing to the country the loss of their services and preventing such men from exercising their gifts for the public benefit.

That people who are qualified by talent and training for public life are now turning toward politics in greater number than they have done for half a century is a fact, but it is such only because the true American spirit of common possession of the franchise is realized. What is facetiously termed the "kid glove element" is comprehending that the college bred man's right to a prominent place in public affairs is no greater than that of one who has never gained more than a common school education, unless the academic training of the former has supplemented natural ability. The great American citizen, lettered or unlettered, has no more of the old-world lower class animosity toward the educated; but he is also a logical, sensible thinker, and he sees to reason for placing the country's interests in the hands of bachelors of arts simply because of the possession of sheepskins. The diploma of the college graduate implies a certain moral and educational standing that is of advantage among men, but no more, and as victory is the aim of the citizens who are the component parts of all political parties, they are seeking continually those who can lead them to that end. Such men will be placed at the front whether rich or poor, educated or not.

With this understood, one will heartily agree that measures produce men, as history has repeatedly demonstrated, and the new conditions in America that have led to the demand for trained specialists in all professions and trades call also for the trained man of political affairs. When an engineer is required, the question is not seriously considered whether he received his training in the shop or in a technical college; so, in politics, the public does not ask whether the candidate for leadership acquired his qualifications in the street or at a university. The chances are in favor of the liberally educated man, but that is all.

Unwillingness to take this view of the question has doubtless been at the bottom of the bad reputa of politics, for the educated man has controlled the avenues of public thought and has impressed his views upon those who read newspapers and books. Now that he realizes his error and is entering political life, this new factor will do much to improve the tone of political discussions by removing from politics the opprobrium that he himself has attached to it. When admitted to party leadership he may broaden political views, but he will not change the inevitable habit of the American citizen to be true to the traditions of his country and tenacious in insisting that they shall be lived up to by whosoever shall lead in public affairs.

The local agitation whereby it is hoped to induce proprietors of stores to provide seats for their female clerks is commendable from every standpoint, and it is to be hoped that it will bear good fruit. Instead of being fearful that the spectacle of the female employees being seated when not actually engaged will create the impression that the establishment is not a business one, those store managers who institute such a reform can feel satisfied that shoppers will appreciate such an evidence of humanity, and it is safe to say that the merchants who lead the way in this regard will be assured an increase of patronage.

A fresh contingent of footpads and thugs seems to have arrived in this part of the country, for a large number of hold-ups and robberies is reported the other side of the bay as well as on this. Some of the crooks are sure to be run down, though, pretty soon, and then the courts should give them a severe case as Judge Wallace of San Francisco inaugurated a few years ago when he sentenced every highway robber brought before him to imprisonment for life. It did not take much of that sort of thing to induce the operators to seek pastures new.

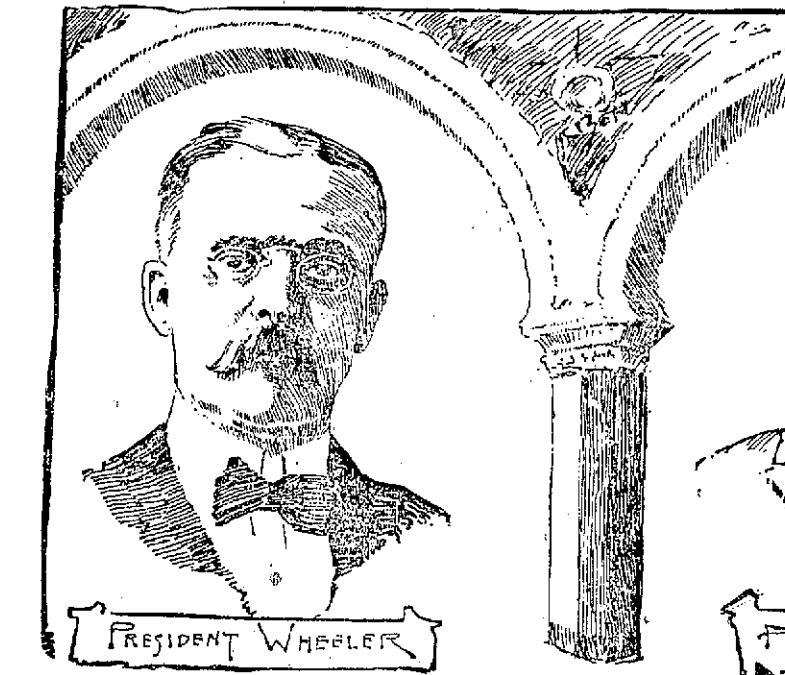
The medieval days of warfare, when soldiers of fortune sold their services to those engaged in strife, are recalled by the conditions in South Africa just now. Russian officers who are in the field counselling the Boers are said to be receiving \$75,000 a year with a promise of a bonus of \$1,250,000 if the outcome prove successful for the Boers. That kind of feeling puts enthusiasm into the operations as great, if not greater, than that kindled by patriotism.

The Chinese long are again engaged in murderous strife, a number of deaths being recently added to the already long list caused by their troubles. It is but a natural, though, that the tongs should be called into requisition when such a hot fire is raging.



To cure a weak stomach take a dose of the Bitters three times a day. It has a refreshing taste and will effectively cure Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation, Bloating and Liver or Kidney Trouble.

TWO PRESIDENTS ROUNDLY ROASTED



Woman Scores Professors Wheeler and Jordan for Political Views Expressed in Public.

By MRS. A. L. ASTOR.

Editor Tribune: The sensation Prof. David Starr Jordan's paper produced at the State Teachers' Association in Sacramento amounted to almost a cyclone in a china teapot, and when his remarks in the United States, he forgot or either did not know it, to add that we have no such thing in the United States. Our form of government is oligarchical; the people do not rule; a few people rule the many. But when his paper "declared in favor of electing school trustees at large," and said "that the present system of electing them in wards was wholly bad," he seemed to have caught a glimpse that the ward system of pinning up voters, like so many ostriches to be plucked, is one reason we have a form of government, called democracy, that is a failure. His denunciations of our city government, and the very bad people who rule and rule schools and everything pertaining to the people's welfare in general, is well worth repeating:

"The culture of cities to give to their people good schools was attributed to the corruption of civic authority for the furtherance of individual ends; that the schools are bad because they are tampered with and used as tools to enrich or advance those persons who have them in charge. He declared that if intrigue and flattery, wire pulling and leg pulling, masculine and feminine arts of swaying the appointing power furnished means of advancement, the ranks of the teachers become filled with those who know nothing and have no care to know; with those who use the work of teacher while seeking marriage and an opening in a law office, with those who pay more for the dead birds on their hat than for the books they read, and with those who know more of euclyde and the two-step than the art of training children."

Rev. C. R. Brown has not heard of proportional representation evidently. By his remarks, he seemed to blame the bosses of all the bad schoolmasters and wickedness in general, and said, "No teacher who owed her promotion to a boss could maintain her self respect and be fit to train young children, and if this were continued the moral sense of the people would become so blunted that free institutions would be in danger." If he and thousands, yes millions of citizens in the United States, will just stop

very unbecomingly of the nation. Then the people never elect a United States Senator. A purchased and purchasable legislative assembly in every State does that work. The people are compelled to vote inside of districts prescribed by wicked lines for nominees for the Legislatures that elect the United States Senator, and they are compelled to elect their Congressmen in districts gerrymandered by political bosses in the interest of the wicked rich and a few people.

Now, knowing that our ballot laws make it impossible for the people to rule if they do participate in politics, as their partici-

pation therein only serves "the masters" and not themselves, does it not look as though President Wheeler ought to be in charge if there is no remedy for these political evils? Will he not ask himself, who are the lawmakers? And for a moment he will be surprised to find that in every State in this Union there are only 10,000 lawyers as per record of the last census, but that 50 per cent of Congressmen and State Legislators are lawyers. This fact alone is enough to show that the people have no power; that the voters are bound as much as the hooded ostrich is bound to be plucked, and these poor voters, the more they vote under our present ballot system, the more they are plucked of their rights and human liberties. The trouble is with "the system," the ballot, as it now makes the boss all powerful, and the "whole people" have to submit, though there are millions of them.

Let me quote from an election in Berkeley in 1896, under our new charter that a University professor fathered and who said it would make the people free. This is how it unfolded the voters: Total vote, 10,000. The University professor, who was elected in the fourth ward by sixty-three votes, was elected by seventy votes in the Third ward. The number of votes cast in the Third ward was 349; in the Fourth ward 155. Does Prof. Wheeler imagine that the people ought to elect a Trustee to have as much power and say in a law-making body as the people? "Democracy" means the people. How can there be no "trouble with the system" when one voter in one ward or district has four times the political power of a voter who votes across the street in another ward or district, and that one-sixth of the voters, in these circumstances, shall by their representatives have power to overrule and make laws for the other five-sixths?

We cite only this example in Berkeley because it strikes the door of our University and near to President Wheeler. May he look at the great man's name whom the greatest woman on earth, Queen Victoria, has chosen out of all her millions to head her list of honored ones, and ask himself, "What is the use of adding to the State University's list of studies its great works on 'Proportional Representation' in which the ballot is its laws, as now conducted, is shown in all their enveloping forms and the remedy that will make suffrage what it ought to be."

"Going into politics is an educative thing to do. As before said, there is nothing else so human as politics. It is no up and down, it is no in and out. The citizen should be able to say, 'Nothing which is human is foreign to me; I am a man; it is man's work to go into politics. The attitude of the Pharisee never will be the attitude for an American citizen or American woman, not by what is put into law, but by what is put into the hearts of men. Don't be discouraged. If you read the truth, you will not be lost. A fallen angel is an angel who has lost his ideals.' Law makes men rich and happy; law makes men poor and wretched; law is the contrary from President Wheeler that 'reform comes not by what is put into law,' but we have the tendency to criticize because we are said: 'Heart is more than head, and love is more than reason, and we hope his great heart will lead him and all his followers, as they go 'into politics, to be educated,' to study Libby's political works, and that his heart will make him a disciple of effective voting and the expounder and teacher."

A. L. ASTOR, M. D.
North Oakland.

Fighting Strength of Some of the Armies of the World

Charles Jerram has written a book of interest on "The Armies of the World." Placed in alphabetical order, the figures are easily ascertained, and to most people will no doubt be astonishing. Austria has a peace strength of 350,000 and war strength of 500,000. Her population is 41,600,000. Great Britain is accustomed to be told that it has a mere handful by way of an army; France, Germany, Austria, and Russia, having by means of the enforced military service system, such enormous numbers. Considering that it is a volunteer force, Great Britain has no reason, with a United Kingdom population of 39,620,000, to be ashamed of a peace strength of 233,172. The total war strength of 470,000. This includes the colonial forces and the Indian army; British troops, 357,000; native army, 148,000; reserves of 200,000. Total, 705,000. Of our 30,000,000 population, we have 100,000 of the native states. France, with a population of 38,538,000 has a peace strength of 300,000; war strength, 1,000,000. Millions more could be called out if wanted, but, of course, they would be untrained. Germany, with a population of 62,270,000, has a peace strength of 365,000; a war strength of 1,100,000. Besides this, there is the Landwehr, or defensive army, of 2,200,000, the whole can be summed up at 6,213,000. Russia, population 100,000,000, has a peace strength of 800,000; war strength, 3,453,000. These numbers could be increased in times of war. The peace strength of Italy is 222,000; war strength, including trained and untrained forces, 3,225,000.

HARRY HUBER SAFE IN AMERICAN LINES.

Harry Huber, son of C. O. Huber, the advertising agent of this city, who has been a prisoner of the Filipinos for the past year arrived in Manila yesterday with Lieutenant Gilmore and party, who were rescued by the American troops. Young Huber, who is an Oakland boy, was captured while in the hospital service of the army. He has undergone much suffering, and as his term has expired, he will at once be returned to his home in this city.

PETERSON IS SAFE.
A. Peterson, who was captured on April 12th last with Lieutenant Gilmore's party from the Yorktown, is an Oakland boy and a brother of E. Peterson of our Third street. Young Peterson has been in the navy for some time, and was transferred to the Yorktown about a year previous to his capture. He was one of a party of fifteen captured by the Filipinos, and of this party only seven survive, including Lieutenant Gilmore. Mr. Peterson is expected to return to his home in Oakland in about a month to recover from the hardships he has undergone.

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Just because you did write "99"
Is no reason you should now write "00"
'0 means nothing; '00 means nothing.

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Price alone doesn't make a bargain in the Muslin Underwear business; it helps, but material, cutting, sewing and trimming are the prime considerations—Undergarments offered by us possess the proper qualifications which, added to low prices makes each item a bargain. Not a line MADE UP FOR SALES but our entire line is offered to make way for Spring stock now being manufactured for us.

Any 50c Chemise, Drawers, Night Dress or Skirt—Sale price.....	42c
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Any 2.00 Chemise, Drawers, Night Dress or Skirt—Sale price.....	1.98
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Best Dollar Glove on earth here all the time at **84c**

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Ladies Felt Newport Sailors with quill, were six bits (these are shopworn) on sale.....
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We are closing out all odds and ends at remarkable prices. It will pay you to come and see us.

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All county claims, including jurors' fee bills, cashed at 1 1/2 per cent to 2 per cent discount, by E. Barnett, 302 Broadway.

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Call and examine my prices on furniture, carpets, stoves, etc. before purchasing elsewhere. I can save you 20 per cent by buying here. Liberal credit extended to all; \$50 worth of furniture for \$1 per week.
Estimates given on complete house furnishing from cellar to garret.

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The acme of shop mechanism herein exemplified.
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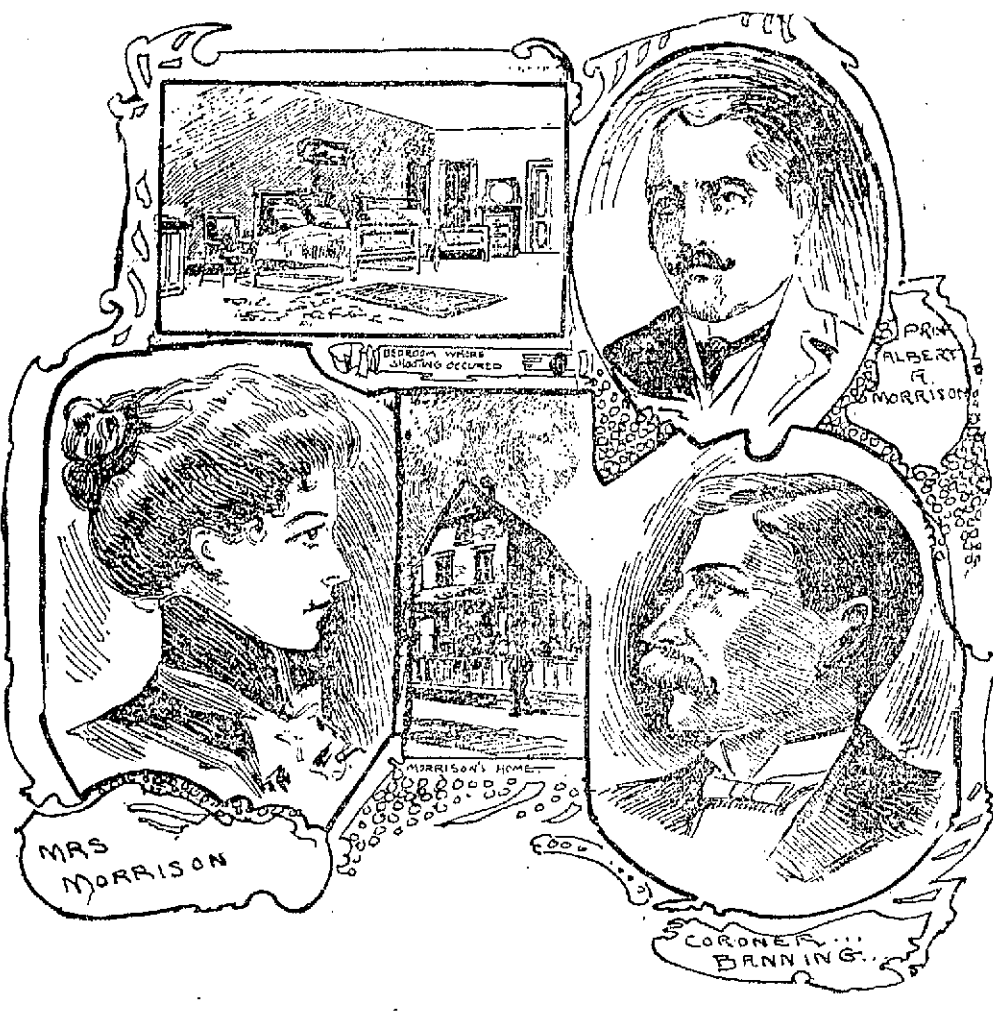
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Third Meeting January 11 to 20, 1900.
Six high-class running races every week day, rain or shine, beginning at 1:30 P. M.
The grand winter race track of America. Patrons step directly from the railroad cars into a superb grandstand, glass-enclosed where, comfortably housed in bad weather, they can enjoy an unobstructed view of the races.
Trains leave Third and Townsend streets at 10:30, 10:40 and 11:30 A. M. and 12:15, 12:35, 12:55 and 1:35 P. M., returning immediately after the last race and at 4:45 P. M. Bear cars reserved for women and escorts. No smoking. Valentin street 10 minutes later.
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FIRED AT THE SHADOW IN THE DARK ROOM AND FOUND THAT HE HAD SHOT HIS WIFE



Alfred Morrison While Dazed By Nightmare, and Fearing That Burglars Were Going to Rob Him, Took Aim and Fired, Fatally Wounding His Wife.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Dazed by a nightmare and in deadly fear of burglars, Alfred Morrison, a teacher of French, started up in bed suddenly, seized a revolver and shot his wife. This was on Thursday night. Late last night it was said that Mrs. Morrison was lying in bed, and that she was dazed by a nightmare. The Morrison's live at No. 23 South Tenth avenue, Mount Vernon. Recently a burglar entered the house, and then placed her on the bed. The Morrison's live at No. 23 South Tenth avenue, Mount Vernon. Recently a burglar entered the house, and then placed her on the bed. The Morrison's live at No. 23 South Tenth avenue, Mount Vernon. Recently a burglar entered the house, and then placed her on the bed.

several strange things connected with the case. The overcast episode which Morrison said put him on his guard against burglars was explained somewhat differently by the police. A man named French, formerly employed by Schweitzer & Sons, piano dealers, called at Morrison's house on Tuesday afternoon, saying that he had been sent to take the piano.

Chief of Police Policy said that the Morrison's were comparatively new residents of Mount Vernon, having lived there only six months. Up to six weeks ago they lived at Sixth avenue and Second street. He knew nothing about the shooting, but he said that the action of the Coroner had taken the affair out of his hands, but he would look into it further. There were, he said, had always been on the best of terms.

YOUNG MEN AT Y. M. C. A.

Prosperous Times Reported at the Local Institution.

The closing Sunday afternoon meeting of the old year will long be remembered by those in attendance as one of the best of the entire year. Two hundred men enjoyed the service under direction of Rev. John M. Dick of Boston, who conducted an illustrated song service for twenty minutes and then gave an earnest, eloquent address on the topic, "A Picket Fence," or in other words, the dividing line between sin and godliness.

"The Thorn Comes Forth With Point Forward."

The thorn point of disease is an ache or pain. But the blood is the feeder of the whole body. Purify it with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Kidneys, liver and stomach will at once respond? No then in this point. Blood Poisoning—"The surgeon said when he took out the brass shell received in wound at San Juan Hill two weeks before, that it would have poisoned me if it had not been for my pure blood. I told him it was Hood's Sarsaparilla that made it pure." George P. Cooper, Co. G, 25th U. S. Inf., Washington Barracks, Washington, D. C.

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NEVER DISAPPOINTS
Hood's Pills cure liver life; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

FEARS THAT HIS WIFE MAY MURDER HIM

Mrs. Shields Fails to Railroad Husband to Asylum.

Says That If He Is Good He May Return to His Home.

From the testimony offered this morning at the examination of James Shields at the examination of James Shields of San Leandro charged with insanity, it would appear that Mrs. Shields wished to have her husband confined in an insane asylum because he had quarreled with her.

Saturday morning Shields, who is 77 years of age, threatened to throw his wife over the banister while they were quarreling. Thereupon Mrs. Shields had her husband arrested and later swore out a complaint charging her husband with insanity.

The case came up for examination this morning before Drs. William K. Sanborn and E. M. Keys, acting as Lunacy Commissioners. The testimony showed that Shields and his wife had not been living together harmoniously, but there was nothing to show that the husband was mentally deranged.

"I don't think my husband is insane," declared Mrs. Shields, "but he is so nervous that I do not know what to do with him. He has made so much trouble at home that I thought it would be better to have him taken care of at some place."

Mrs. Shields denied that she had made her husband sleep in the basement while she occupied apartments on the upper floor.

JAIL DOORS ARE OPEN.

James Munro Can Pay Alimony or Go to Prison.

James Munro of Alameda, who is being sued for a divorce by Matilda Munro, was ordered by Judge Ellsworth this morning to pay his wife at least \$6 a month for her maintenance.

Munro had been called to show cause why he should not be committed to jail for contempt of court for not having paid his wife alimony as directed by the court.

"Where are you employed?" asked Judge Ellsworth.

"I am employed as Engineer by the Spring Valley Water Works," said Munro.

"I get \$30 a month,"

"How does it happen, then, that you cannot afford to pay your wife alimony?" queried the Judge.

"Well, I have to buy clothes and I have some debts to pay,"

"Don't let me hear any talk like that," said Judge Ellsworth. "You support your family first and pay your debts afterward."

Annual Clearing Sale

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GREAT PRICE CUTS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

It would be impossible to enumerate every price cut that we have made in all our departments during the past week; it has taken all our time going through each section and laying out every article to be disposed of at a sacrifice. We began with our Jacket Sale and the way they went at the reduced prices is a guarantee for the general success of this sale.

Cloaks - 100 Jackets, at - \$5.00
Were formerly \$7.50 to \$10.00 each.

50 Jackets, at - \$7.50
Were sold \$12.50 to \$15.00 each.

1000 Walking Hats - 25 cts.
Were formerly 75 cts. and \$1.00.

500 Walking Hats - 50 cts.
Were formerly \$1.00 to \$1.50.

The above are only a few items, but they will give our customers an inkling of the enormous reduction throughout the whole store.

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20 Competent Salesmen and Salesladies Wanted. Apply before 10 in the morning.

HIS GOLDEN LOCKS WENT UP IN SMOKE

Alameda Youth Played With Fire and Got Burned.

Now He Is Bald Head and the Talk of the Town.

Arthur Peterson of Alameda has no more hair on his head now than a billiard ball has, and his appearance, as a consequence, is that of a man about 75 years of age. And yet he is only 19 years old. His hair is on Willow street, between Eighth and Buena Vista avenues. His baldness is due to a most untoward accident.

Saturday night he attempted to light a fire in a stove at his home. He used a shaving as a means of lighting the stove, and a piece of burning shaving caught on the stove's chimney and in raising his arm toward his head he was shaving his hair and set it on fire.

The hair burned like tinder, and in an instant Peterson's curly locks were swept from his head, leaving only a scalp studded with stubble. Wednesday morning he submitted the scalp to a barber, and the stubble was removed and artificial baldness was the result.

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Munro was given until next Monday to comply with the order of the court to pay his wife at least \$6. The trial of these will be taken up two weeks from today.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The British steaming ship, *Georgian*, rescued at sea January 5th Captain Stange and crew of thirty men, also the captain's wife, two children and a nurse of the German steamer *Elia*, which foundered at sea the same date while on a voyage from Perth to London.

The *Georgian* sighted the *Elia* at 8 p. m. January 5th, in latitude 13.35, longitude 42.32, the latter being waterlogged and with a heavy list to starboard. The sea was too rough to permit of the removal of those on board, and the *Georgian* remained until the morning, when the *Elia* was towed to the assistance of the disabled steamer and brought off all on board alive. Three dangerous ships being made. Captain Stange's children were transferred to the *Georgian's* lifeboat, securely stowed in the bows of the ship, who then sprang into the sea, to be picked up by the rescuers. All hands were almost completely exhausted on reaching the *Georgian's* deck. Captain Stange, who was thrown down by a heavy sea on the bridge of the *Elia*, was severely injured about the head.

At 11 a. m. of the 6th, all hands being rescued, the *Elia* was towed to the pier and on her course. At this time the *Elia* was fast settling in the water, and shortly before noon was seen to sink, bow first.

The *Elia* sailed from Perth Amboy December 30th with coal for Halifax. The *Elia* was a steel vessel built at Newcastle, England, in 1888. She was registered 2,177 tons gross and 1,100 tons net. Her hulling port was Aberdeen, Scotland.

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